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 COUNTRY Eastern Germany REPORT NO. [REDACTED] 25X1
 TOPIC Granienburg Airfield
 EVALUATION see below PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1
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 PAGES 3 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE) 1 - sketch on ditto
 REMARKS

[REDACTED] 25X1
 1. Between 20 and 26 July 1952, the same quantity of laundry as previously was delivered to the laundry by the air force unit in Weisse Stadt. [REDACTED]
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2 July 1952. 185 sheets, 119 pillowcases, 41 shirts, 93 towels, 40 drawers, 51 T-shirts, 39 shorts, 200 footwraps, 5 coveralls, 8 sleeping bags.
 9 July 1952. 179 sheets, 115 pillowcases, 41 shirts, 110 towels, 36 drawers, 44 T-shirts, 36 shorts, 172 footwraps, 2 coveralls, 4 field breeches, 4 tunics, 4 jackets.
 15 July 1952. 202 sheets, 123 pillowcases, 48 shirts, 109 towels, 37 drawers, 59 T-shirts, 48 shorts, 216 footwraps, 6 coveralls, 53 field breeches, 41 tunics, 4 jackets.
 22 July 1952. 170 sheets, 106 pillowcases, 28 shirts, 106 towels, 29 drawers, 41 T-shirts, 33 drawers, 179 footwraps, 8 tunics.
 27 July 1952. 52 sheets, 28 pillowcases, 19 shirts, 15 towels, 19 drawers, 5 T-shirts, 6 drawers, 38 footwraps, 6 field breeches, 4 tunics.

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2. [REDACTED]
 the present status of the runway and taxiway had to be entered in a surveying plan. Spots which had been repaired had to be marked specially. This work had to be completed by 25 July but [REDACTED] this target date could not be met. The large runway was scheduled to be extended by 500 meters i.e. 100 meters toward Annahof and 400 meters toward the Pinnow-Velten road, while its width was to remain unchanged. The concrete cover of the runway was to be raised by 20 centimeters and in some spots by 30 centimeters. Drainage facilities had to be provided on both sides of the runway for a stretch of 50 meters. The old draining wells, about 50 meters apart, along the runway are to be filled up. No work was to be done on the small runway which was 1,200 meters long. The double-track spur line was to be extended about as far as Wilhelminenhof. Improvement work was being done on Wilhelminenhof which is to be occupied by the construction bureau. ** The

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construction workers are to be quartered in Weisse Stadt.

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3. [] the buildings numbered 1, 2, 3, 16, and 17 in the restricted Weisse Stadt settlement, which were previously occupied by air force troops, were surrounded by a board fence. These buildings were now occupied by 47 German workers who were engaged on the construction site at the field. On 27 July, there was no activity in the air force section of Weisse Stadt. Major Egoryev (fnu) had returned from furlough. ***

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4. On 24 and 26 July, building material, mainly ties and rails, were stored on the approach road to the field between the guardhouse and the hangar.

5. In early August, a ditch for underground cables was being excavated at the field between Volton Bridge and the field center. Light poles were set up from the end of the ditch to the runway and along the runway as far as the intersection with the remaining strip of the E-W runway. A narrow-gauge field track lay on the runway. [] construction was to start on 10 August.

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6. On 27 July, two railroad cars with building material, beams and frames were being unloaded at the loading ramp. No work was observed at the field. A labor recruiting office was established in Legebruch. On 28 and 29 July, two groups each of four women and one man cleaned the railroad siding and the terrain around the side track. The guardhouse at the entrance to the field was occasionally occupied by German guards.
7. Construction work started at the field on 4 August. A house for the construction bureau was erected in the yard of Wilhelminenhof. Civilians and Russians in uniform drove daily to this office in sodas. On the afternoon of 4 August, a boxcar and a flatcar with additional building material were unloaded at the loading ramp. In the evening, a gondola car with two concrete mixers arrived.
8. Between 4 and 6 August, narrow-gauge field tracks were being laid along the runway as far as the staked-off meadow-like terrain. Rails were laid along one third of the entire length of the runway, and only ties were laid on the remaining runway section up to 6 August. Twenty-two dump cars stood beside the rails. On 5 August, 14 women and 15 men who were local residents, worked there. On 6 August, 45 laborers were counted at the field. The total work force strength was estimated at 70 persons. Cable terminals connected to telephone sets were observed at various spots at the field. **
9. Between 21 July and 2 August, the number of workers at the field increased to about 100, all of whom were cadre personnel of the Leipzig Bauunion. The laborers were quartered in five buildings in the restricted Weisse Stadt settlement.
10. Between 21 July and 2 August, about 20 workers were preparing three office rooms and a messhall in Wilhelminenhof for future occupation by the German construction management. On 24 July, the German construction staff was temporarily quartered in a wooden building which was recently built in Wilhelminenhof. The construction superintendent of the Leipzig Bauunion was named Roland (fnu).
11. In late July, ties and rails for narrow-gauge field railways arrived at the field by train. The material was the property of the Leipzig Bauunion. The rails were laid along the eastern side of the runway. [] a total of 800 laborers were to be employed at the field and that the entire runway was to be provided with a new concrete cover. []

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*** [redacted] Comment. For sketch of airfield, see Annex. [redacted] the main runway is to be extended by 100 meters to the north and 400 meters to the south. [redacted]

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[redacted] the old runway has a length of 2,125 meters. [redacted] the extended runway will be either 2,625 or 3,025 meters long. The first figure is believed to be correct.

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*** [redacted] Comment. The reported buildings are located at the corner formed by Ernst Thaelmann Strasse and Friedrich Ebert Strasse in the south-southeastern section of Weisse Stadt. Buildings 1, 2, and 3 were previously occupied by air force troops, building 16 housed the air force hospital, dispensary and the hospital for antitank personnel, and building 17 was occupied by air force officers. Judging by the information that these buildings were surrounded by a fence it appears possible that they were occupied by personnel of the Leipzig Bauunion. A layout sketch of the Weisse Stadt in Oranienburg was previously forwarded. [redacted] Major Sporyov (fnu) is the supply officer of the air force construction unit at Oranienburg airfield.

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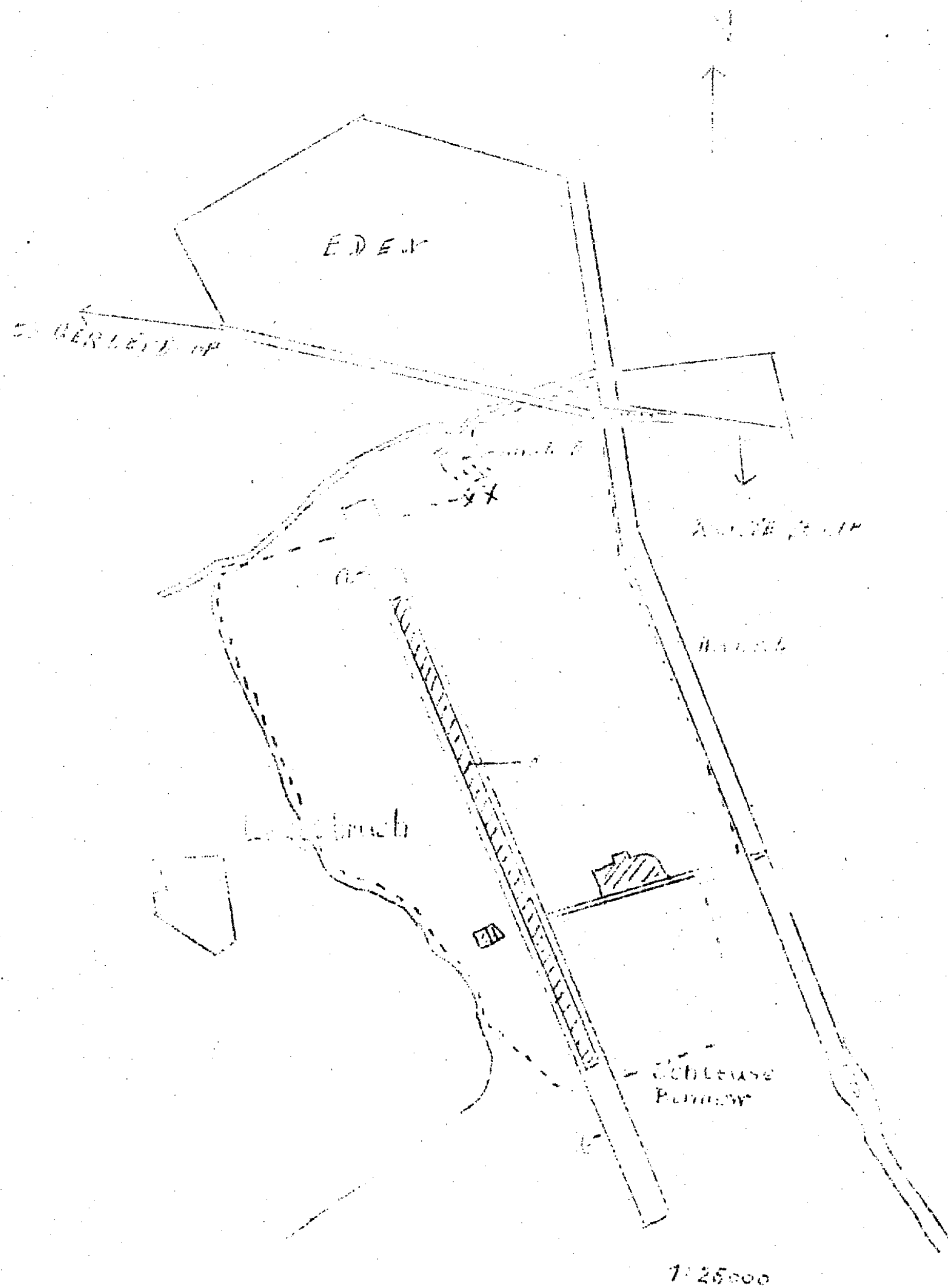
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Annex



Granienburg Airfield



Legend:

--- Airfield boundary

AA Hangars

a Northern extension of runway

b Southern extension of runway

c Old runway